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October 21, 2014

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

29 of October 21, 2014

SACHI A. HAMAI EXECUTIVE OFFICER

ACCEPT "SIF GRANT" AWARD FOR LEADERSHIP TRAINING (ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

The Public Library is recommending that the Board of Supervisors accept the Staff Innovation Fund "SIF Grant" award from the California State Library in the total amount of \$23,680.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

- 1. Accept the "SIF Grant" award in the total amount of \$23,680 from the California State Library, funded by Federal Library Services and Technology Act funds, for leadership training.
- 2. Authorize and delegate authority to the County Librarian to execute any documents and agreements related to the acceptance and use of the grant funds; to expend the grant funds as necessary for the completion of the grant projects; and to meet the conditions of the grant award.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended actions will allow the Public Library to implement seven projects funded by the "SIF Grant" from the California State Library. These projects are designed to develop leadership skills in mid-level management through the active learning method. As part of this active learning, each project manager is responsible for developing a project, pitching the idea to California State Library and monitoring the implementation of the project. The projects will focus on providing a series of community workshops – e-Publishing at the Library at Westlake Village Library; Rock n' Roll High School at Hacienda Heights Library; Elderly Fraud Prevention at Carson, Lancaster,

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Montebello, Norwalk, and West Hollywood Libraries; College Awareness and Preparedness Program at Cudahy Library; Computer Literacy en Español at Hawaiian Gardens Library; and Junior Science Lecture Series and Stem Lab at La Canada Flintridge Library.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

Approval of the recommended action is consistent with the County's Strategic Plan Goal in the area of Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability (Goal 1).

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The total grant award of \$23,680 is funded by Federal Library Services and Technology Act funds. The grant award for each project ranges from \$2,500 to \$5,000.

The grant funds will be used to purchase the necessary services and supplies to implement the projects. The Public Library's existing Fiscal Year 2014-15 Operating Budget has the appropriation to cover expenditures for this grant. Acceptance of this one-time grant does not commit the County to provide ongoing services.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

County policy requires that grants be submitted to the Board of Supervisors for acceptance. A Grant Management statement is not required for this grant because the grant amount is under \$100,000.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The recommended actions are not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because they do not constitute a project according to Section 15378 of CEQA.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

This grant award will enable the Public Library to enhance its services and programs.

CONCLUSION

If there are any questions or there is a need for additional information, please contact Yolanda De Ramus, Chief Deputy, at (562) 940-8412.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors

Auditor-Controller